

MINUTES
OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
JANUARY 6, 2020

The Council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, January 6, 2020 in the conference room of the Oakwood Municipal Building, 30 Park Avenue. The Mayor of the city, William Duncan, presided.

Council members in attendance were Mayor William Duncan, Vice Mayor Steve Byington, Councilmember Rob Stephens, Councilmember Anne Hilton and Councilmember Chris Epley. Staff in attendance were City Manager Norbert Klopsch and City Attorney Rob Jacques.

Mayor Duncan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led a discussion on the following agenda items:

- REVIEW OF REGULAR SESSION MEETING AGENDA
 - Mayor Duncan reviewed the agenda for the regular session this evening.
 - Mayor and Vice Mayor Election: Mayor Duncan asked if there was support to re-elect him as mayor and Steve Byington as vice mayor. Councilmember Epley stated that he would make that motion and Councilmember Hilton stated that she would offer a second.
- STATUS REPORTS: Council discussed the following status reports that are scheduled for the regular session this evening:
 - Oath of Office, Doug Spitler, Director of Engineering and Public Works
 - Council Committee Assignments
 - Citizen Committee Appointments
 - Public Safety Department Awards, Chief Alan Hill
 - Lieutenant Chuck Balaj, 2019 TCSU Investigator Award
 - PSO Jeff Yount, Jr., 2019 TCSU Agent of the Year Award
 - Recognition of Lieutenant Jeff Yount, Sr., Chief Alan Hill
 - December 11 Event at Oakwood Junior High, Chief Alan Hill
- VISITORS
 - Holiday Decorating Awards: Mayor Duncan noted that Oakwood residents Nancy Drozd and Jane Lieberth will attend the regular session this evening and assist him in recognizing the winners of the 2019 home holiday decorating awards.
 - Little Free Library Eagle Scout Project: Mayor Duncan noted that Scout William Boylin will comment on his Little Free Library project at the regular session this evening.
 - Dog Park Eagle Scout Project: Mayor Duncan noted that Scout Charles Jacques will comment on his Dog Park project at the regular session this evening.
- LEGISLATION: Council discussed the following three items of legislation on the regular session agenda this evening:
 - An Ordinance to increase the stormwater fee.
 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 163 of the Administrative Code.
 - An Ordinance to amend Firearms Provisions of the Traffic and General Offenses Codes.

- COUNCIL COMMITTEES

- Planning & Zoning, Vice Mayor Byington

- Inner Dance Yoga: Mr. Klopsch mentioned that Inner Dance Yoga currently operating at St. Paul's Church will seek a special use approval to continue this business operation, restructured as a health and wellness ministry of the church. Law Director Rob Jacques explained that this issue will likely be presented at the February 5 Planning Commission meeting. The commission will evaluate the use consistent with all other special use applications. Of particular concern will be traffic generated in and around the St. Paul's neighborhood.
- Short-term Rentals: Mr. Klopsch noted that as of January 1, short-term rentals are no longer permitted in Oakwood. Staff will begin monitoring advertising websites and issuing zoning violation letters where necessary.

- Safety & Traffic, Mr. Stephens

- Traffic Enforcement: Mr. Klopsch mentioned that he met recently with School Superintendent Dr. Kyle Ramey and Library Director Kristi Hale to discuss issues regarding the ABLE Report on traffic enforcement practices in Oakwood. The discussion expanded into a general conversation on diversity and inclusiveness. Wright Library has conducted programs on this topic in the past, and plans to continue in the future. This may a good forum for additional community discussion as may be warranted. Mr. Klopsch also noted that he will meet with Oakwood residents Roger Crum and Dan Turben on January 8, and Sam Dorf on January 14 to discuss the matter.
- Package Deliveries: Mr. Klopsch mentioned that the Public Safety Department is enhancing traffic enforcement practices in regard to delivery trucks, particular the manner in which they often park illegally when making deliveries. The problem of illegal parking is exacerbated by the increase in Amazon delivery operations.

- REGIONAL AGENCIES

- MVCC, Mr. Stephens

- 2020 Board Appointments: Mr. Stephens will continue to serve as council liaison to MVCC, with Mr. Epley as alternate.

- MVRPC, Vice Mayor Byington

- 2020 Board and Committee Appointments: Vice Mayor Byington will continue to serve as Oakwood's representative at MVRPC, with Mayor Duncan as alternate.

- First Suburbs, Vice Mayor Byington

- 2020 Board Appointments: Vice Mayor Byington and Mr. Klopsch will continue to serve as members of First Suburbs.

- MISCELLANEOUS

- 2019 Annual Report: Mr. Klopsch mentioned that staff plans to prepare the 2019 Annual Report using the same format that has been used in the past decade or so.
- City Calendar: Mr. Klopsch mentioned that staff plans to discontinue publishing the annual city calendar. The calendar has been published for many years, but is no longer deemed of significant value.
- Russell Total Wealth & Wellness: Mayor Duncan noted that a ribbon cutting is scheduled at this business at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 8.
- Montgomery County Convention Facilities Authority: Mr. Klopsch noted that Montgomery County has recently established this new Authority to oversee the operation and improvement of the Montgomery County Convention Center. Mayor Duncan mentioned that the Greater Dayton Mayors and Managers Association appointed two Montgomery County mayors to that Authority.

- o February 24 Work Session: Mrs. Hilton noted that she is unable to attend this work session.

There being no other business, Mayor Duncan concluded the work session at 7:21 p.m. at which time Council moved to regular session.



Mayor

ATTEST:



Clerk of Council